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City gold merchants robbed in Hyderabad

- **Trio from Mysuru relieved of Rs. 1.26 crore by three-member gang**
- **Five arrested; Cash recovered**

Hyderabad/ Mysuru, Nov. 28- Three gold merchants from Mysuru, who had been to Hyderabad to purchase gold, were robbed of Rs. 1.26 crore by a three-member gang at Basheerbagh there.

The incident occurred on Saturday night (Nov. 25) and it came to light yesterday after a complaint was lodged in this regard at Narayanaguda Police Station in Hyderabad.

Latest reports say that the Police have managed to arrest five persons, based on CCTV footages.

According to the Police in Hyderabad, Sanketh, Swapnil and Sangappa, employees of a Mysuru-based gold manufacturing unit owned by one M.H. Rajendra and Sachin had come to Hyderabad on Saturday afternoon with Rs. 1.26 crore cash. "Rajendra and Sachin gave cash to their employees asking them to purchase gold from bullion merchants in the city. After reaching Hyderabad, the trio first went to their friend Raju's flat at Skyline Apartments in Basheerbagh and then visited different gold shops," Narayanaguda Inspector B. Ravinder said.

As the trio did not like the price quoted by gold merchants and also since the gold prices fell, they decided not to buy gold and instead chose to return to Mysuru as per their employers' instructions.

However, they later decided to stay back in Hyderabad for a day and travel the next day.

They then came back to their friend Raju's apartment, located behind Hyderabad City Police Commissionerate, at around 10 pm.

As they entered the lift, three others joined them and stopped the lift on the first floor and assaulted Sanketh, Swapnil and Sangappa. The assaulters later fled in a Honda Activa with the cash bag that had Rs. 1.26 crore, the Inspector said.

The victims immediately alerted their employer Rajendra, who reached Hyderabad yesterday and lodged a complaint with Narayanaguda Police.

Registering a case of robbery, Police accessed CCTV footages from nearby buildings and began analysing the way the robbery took place. The Police were looking to ascertain how the robbers knew that the trio were carrying cash on them.

Based on this line of investigation, the Hyderabad Police have arrested five persons in connection with the daring robbery.

One of the arrested has been identified as Srihari, the owner of a bakery in front of Skyline Apartments where the trio had spent a night.

Sources say one among the arrested is the son of a Telugu Desam Party leader. His name, however, has not been revealed by the Police.

The stolen cash bag has been recovered and further investigations are on.

Champa's mouth reeks of foul urine smell: MP

MP Pratap Simha

Prof. Champa

Mysuru, Nov.28 (RKB&DM)- Accusing Prof. Chandrashekar Patil (Champa), President of the just concluded 83rd Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana, of insulting Kannadigas by not performing puja to Goddess Bhuvaneshwari and not donning the *'Mysuru Peta,'* a traditional practice, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha has demanded that Champa apologise to Kannadigas.

Addressing a press meet at his office in Jaladarshini Guest House here yesterday, the MP alleged that the Kannada Literary Meet organisers had conveniently forgotten Mysuru Royal family, Suttur Seer, Saraswati Samman awardee Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa and other eminent personalities of the city.

Taking strong exception for not inviting the eminent writers and personalities of the city, the MP lashed out at Prof. Champa for unnecessarily praising Tipu Sultan at the three-day Kannada Sammelana.

Hitting out at Champa for 'unfair criticism' of Union Minister H.N. Ananth Kumar at the valedictory of the Meet, the MP said that Ananth Kumar had raised Kannada issue at the UN, had pressed for Kannada in Bank exams and had discussed development of Kannada software with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He further said that persons like Champa should not teach secularism to leaders like Ananth Kumar.

Lambasting Champa for making political statements during the inauguration and as well as at valedictory of the Sammelana, Simha maintained that Champa has little knowledge of what true secularism is.

Chiding Champa for his remark that Ananth Kumar wets his pants when anyone speaks about secularism, Simha said that only foul urine smell comes out whenever Champa opens his mouth.

Asserting that he need not learn any lessons on Kannada from Champa, Simha said that Champa spoke political language at the Sammelana instead of speaking about Kannada.

Accusing the littérateur of being Chief Minister Siddharamaiah's sycophant, the MP said that Champa's address reeked of foul smell and there was no substance in it.

"Chiding Champa for his remark that Ananth Kumar wets his pants when anyone speaks about secularism, Simha said that only foul urine smell comes out whenever Champa opens his mouth."

STAR PUNCH By Satish Acharya

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.
Mysuru, Tuesday 28th November 2017

Common good Vs Individual interests

Taking pictures of objects with a camera dates back to 1816 when the inventor of the world's first camera was partially successful in producing what later came to be described as a *photograph*. However, before the development of the photographic camera, it had been known for hundreds of years that some substances such as silver salts darkened when exposed to sunlight exclusively. Photography witnessed rapid advances over a hundred-plus years until not too long ago the conventional camera gave way to the handy mobile phone incorporating digital technology making it possible to produce not only images of objects but also store and transmit words as well as sound, without the need for cable. To cut a long story short, unless a third party was required to take pictures of oneself, as is familiar to all users of mobile phones, one can take one's own pictures, heralding the emergence of *selfie*. In a certain sense, taking pictures is a *selfish activity* of sorts. In an extended sense, *selfishness*, which used to be a *hidden* quality is now-a-days an *openly* displayed character of masses.

Selflessness, unarguably is a bad word in today's world. While well-meaning public speakers addressing their captive listeners take fancy to prescribe eschewing self-centred attitude, the run of the mill parents make sure by personal example that their children will have everything to gain if they zealously protect their possession without sharing. The much-avowed outlook of treating all people without discrimination on grounds of class differences such as rich or poor, following other faiths, speaking diverse tongues, attire and so on has worn out in the land virtually resulting in the country hosting an estimated 135 crore individuals focussed on *self-serving* pursuits. In this backdrop, to come across citizens committing themselves to spare their energies, resources, time and thoughts for *common good* necessitates hard searching as it were. There is evidence that the society still is guided by role models in the form of voluntary groups such as *satsangs* propagating the message of doing good in an unrestricted manner through awareness-creating campaigns. However, it is conjecture to infer that their influence on people is not quite strong.

In a democracy, diversity and dissent cannot be dealt with like in dispensations marked by regimentation. Mentors in society are a sure hope to bring about a makeover from the culture of individual interests to one of pursuing common good. As the Bard wrote, there is always hope in human breast.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Bollywood actor Varun Dhawan couldn't resist a selfie with a fan while waiting in his car at a Mumbai traffic signal. The female fan was in an autorickshaw. Dhawan stuck his head out and smiled for the picture. That smile would surely have turned into a grimace when he got a rap from the Mumbai Traffic Police. Mumbai Police posted the star's photo as he was clicking that selfie and informed him about an e-challan that was on its way. "These adventures surely work on the silver screen but certainly not on the roads of Mumbai," the tweet said. "You have risked your life, (that of) your admirer and a few others. We expect better from a responsible Mumbaikar and youth icon like you. An e-challan is on the way to your home. Next time, we will be harsher." Dhawan apologised later saying the Police was right and that he would not encourage such dangerous behaviour in the future. *— In Business Standard*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Smart app to avoid violent areas in Rio

Rio de Janeiro: Gun violence is a very serious issue on the streets of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, so much so that people have begun using a smart-phone app similar to the popular 'Waze,' only instead of heavy traffic, they're trying to avoid gun fire.

Rio de Janeiro is facing a crisis of gun violence, as Police raids and shootouts between drug gangs echo daily through the streets of Brazil's second largest city. Civilians are continuously caught and killed in the crossfires. In response to the crisis, Amnesty International Brazil has released a smartphone app called Fogo Cruzado – Portuguese for "crossfire" – to help civilians avoid dangerous areas in Rio de Janeiro. Users can log information that they either hear about or witness into the app, including location and duration, any injuries or fatalities, and whether it was the result of a Police operation.

Make-over with plastic surgery

Thailand: A woman in Thailand was left unable to recognize her 22-year-old son after he underwent a drastic plastic surgery makeover in South Korea for a popular television show. Looking at the man's before and after pictures, who can really blame her?

Noppajit Monlin, a 22-year-old factory worker from Thailand, had always been ashamed of his twisted jaw, blemished complexion and his other facial imperfections. At work, he avoided his colleagues as much as possible, for fear of being laughed at or having to put up with their stares. So when he got selected for the Thai edition of "Let Me In", a popular South Korean TV show that focuses on extreme plastic surgery transformations. Monlin was flown to South Korea, where he underwent multiple procedures that would leave him looking literally like a new man. Let Me In Thailand paid for corrective surgery on his jaw, forehead and eyelids, and had some botox injections to help with his excessive drooling, as well as skin treatments for his blemished complexion. After a three-month recovery period, the young man looked so shockingly different that his own mother couldn't recognize him.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How common is breast cancer?

WARNING SIGNS:
1) A NEW LUMP OR CHANGE IN THE BREAST
2) NIPPLE INVERSION
3) AN AREA OF IRRITATION OR REDNESS
4) DIMPLING OR THICKENING OF THE BREAST SKIN
5) BREAST PAIN

Most breast abnormalities are not cancer. Fewer than 20% of breast lumps are diagnosed as cancerous. More common are breast diseases such as mastitis and fibroadenoma.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Music Varsity students bag Rolling Shield

Music students of Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University have won several prizes at the 'Go.Ru. Cha.' music competitions conducted by the Rotary Club of Mysore North and bagged the rolling shield. The winning students *(front row from left)* ***M.S. Shivaraj, Eranayaka, H.M. Lakshmi and Sharadhi Patil are seen with*** *(sitting from left)* ***Music University Registrar Dr. Niranjan Vanalli, Vice-Chancellor Dr. Sarvamangala Shankar and Registrar (Evaluation) Dr. R. Rajesh and Karnatak Music Department Staff*** *(standing from left)* ***Surabhi Pusthakam, Shruthi Ranjani, J.L. Pushpa and K.R. Srilatha.***

Excel in 'Bharath Ko Jano' Quiz

Mysuru, Nov.28 - T.S.Srinidhi and B.K.Chirag, 2nd PU students of Vijaya Vittala PU College in city have won third prize in Pranth level (comprising five States) 'Bharath Ko Jano' quiz competition (Senior level) organised by Bharath Vikas Parishad, Karnataka Dakshina Prantha, Bengaluru recently.

Really...?

- ***One of the first legal slave owners in American history was a Black tobacco farmer named Anthony Johnson.***
- ***In the 1850s, a slave wanting to escape was considered to have a mental disorder called "drapetomania." The prescribed treatment was whipping or cutting big toes to make running impossible.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A Haryanavi peasant went to a newspaper office to place an advertisement announcing his father's death.
"The rate is Rs. 360 per single col. cm," ***the clerk told him.***
"Main to lut jaoonga — I will be ruined," ***exclaimed the peasant.*** *"My father was 182 cms tall !"*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 64.59
1 UK Pound	Rs. 86.07
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 17.58
1 Euro	= Rs. 76.89

VOICE OF THE READER

Topless bus shelter continues to be neglected

Sir,

The new bus shelter recently constructed by the MCC with the advertisement of Karnataka Bank near KEB bus stop in Kuvempunagar remains neglected with no cover on top of the shelter.

Once I remember, on a rainy day, when I approached the bus shelter to avoid the rain drops, I was surprised to find the unfortunate situation and had to run to alternate place for shelter.

As I observe, it is more than one year since the same situation continues to exist. At least now let the MCC initiate some action to provide a cover on top of the shelter so that the public can take shelter on a sunny day too.

Let the Karnataka Bank, who are the advertisers besides serving the community by providing shelter, also take up the matter with the MCC and rectify the lacunae immediately.

—K.V. Ramanath
on email
Srirampura II Stage
24.11.2017

Dog menace at Lingambudhi Lake

Sir,

Stray dogs are in abundance in our city parks, posing serious threats to all of us, especially children. The picturesque Lingambudhi Lake has perhaps 20 such dogs or more.

This morning while walking I came near a pack of dogs sitting near the railing overlooking the lake. They started growling and barking. I made a swift retreat but still could hear their barking.

There are fewer walkers at Lingambudhi Lake, which makes the dogs there more aggressive. For an adult, a dog bite may invite an anti-rabies injection. A child, on the other hand, will be more prone to be mauled by such dogs, under the slightest provocation, for example pelting a stone by a harmless child.

Perhaps the authorities can think of keeping the stray dogs inside an enclosure in each park if capturing and neutralising them goes against the law.

—Somnath Datta
Mysuru
21.11.2017

Corrections and Clarifications

Dr. Vinaya

In the news item titled ***'Media joining hands with capitalists, spoiling health of society,'*** published in yesterday's *Star of Mysore* on Page-9, the identity and designation of **Dr. Vinaya Okkunda** was inadvertently left out. It may please be read as: *Dr. Vinaya Okkunda, award-winning poet and Professor of Kannada, Government Degree College, Alnavara in Dharwad District.* — **Ed**

SWR GM joins volunteers in painting City Railway Station pillars

Mysuru, Nov.28-The pillars of Mysuru City Railway Station building were painted with artistic pictures to beautify the ambiance under the theme *'Shramdhan' "Let's colour and beautify Mysuru Railway Station"* on Nov.25 and 26 on a weekend holiday.

A.K. Gupta, General Manager, South Western Railway (SWR), Dr. Atul Gupta, Divisional Railway Manager, SWR Mysuru Division, Dr.S.G.Yathish, Senior Divisional Commercial Manager and other Officers participated along with Railway Staff, students of Lalitha School in Yadavagiri, Scouts & Guides and passengers who volunteered in painting the pillars.

The theme was organised in coordination with Ugly Indians, a Bengaluru-based NGO.

A.K. Gupta also inspected the newly-commissioned 1.7 km stretch at Srirangapatna and the Railway Electrification work between Yeliyur - Mysuru (39 kms) on Nov.25 along with Rajeev Kumar, Principal Chief Electrical Engineer, South Western Railway (SWR), according to a press release.

Picture shows A.K. Gupta, General Manager, SWR along with Dr. Atul Gupta, Divisional Railway Manager, painting the pillars of City Railway Station building.

Train stoppages withdrawn

For Chamarajanagar-Tirupati Express and Mysuru-Talaguppa Express

Mysuru, Nov.28- South Western Railway (SWR) has decided to withdraw the stoppages provided at following stations for Train No. 16219/16220, Chamarajanagar-Tirupati-Chamarajanagar Express and Train No. 16227/16228, Mysuru-Talaguppa-Mysuru Express with effect from March 24, 2018 due to poor patronisation:

1. For Train No. 16219/16220, Chamarajanagar-Tirupati-Chamarajanagar Express, stoppage at Kadakola, Naganahalli, Byadarahalli, Yeliyur and Hanakere will be withdrawn.

2. For Train No. 16227/16228, Mysuru-Talaguppa-Mysuru Express, stoppage at Chandagiri Koppal Halt and Palahalli Halt will be withdrawn.

3. For Train No. 16228, Talaguppa-Mysuru Express, stoppage at Nidaghatta Halt and Ketohalli Halt will be withdrawn—all with effect from March 24, according to a press release from the Chief Public Relations Officer, SWR, Hubballi.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	109.53 ft
Yesterday	109.92 ft
Inflow	727 cusecs
Outflow	5,064 cusecs
Last year on this date	78.33 ft

Harangi Level

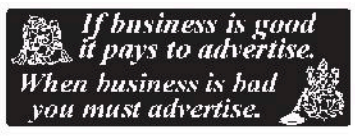
(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

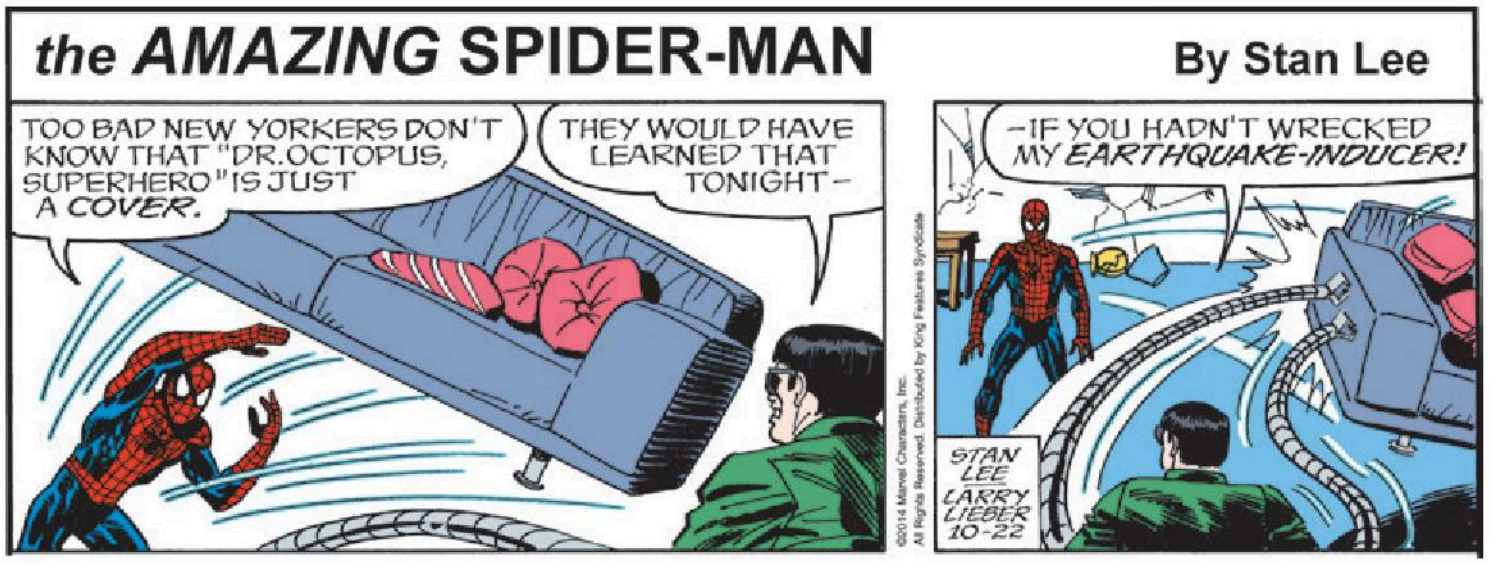
Today	2,855.12 ft
Inflow	826 cusecs
Outflow	350 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,278.76 ft
Inflow	220 cusecs
Outflow	500 cusecs

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By Stan Lee
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LARRY LIEBER
10-22
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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption

Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted in the following areas tomorrow (Nov. 29) between 10 am and 5 pm: Narayana Hrudayalaya, Rajivnagar 2nd Stage, Al-badar Masjid, Suryanarayana Temple, Christian Colony and surrounding areas.

Eid holiday on Saturday

The State Government has declared holiday on Dec.2 (Saturday) for Eid-Milad, following the Central Moon Committee's recommendation. The Government has cancelled the holiday declared on Dec.1.

Tailoring classes for women

Sthree Deepa Women's and Child Development Organisation, located on 7th Cross, Shivaji Road, N.R. Mohalla, will be conducting a 45-day basic tailoring classes (free) for women at its premises, for which it has invited applications from women in the age group of 18 to 40 years. The applicants must have passes fifth standard. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4242408 or Mob: 87922-33195.

Pensioners' Day

Central Government Pensioners' Association, Mysuru, will be observing Pensioners' Day at Sadvidya Educational Institution on Narayan Shastry Road in city on Dec.17 (Sunday) at 10.30 am. Those above 70 years may contact Association President Dr. T.S. Sathyanarayana Rao, according to a press release.

Well women clinic

Avati L. Ramasheshaiah and Lakshmi Devamma Clinic of Narayana Mulitspeciality Hospital, has organised a two-day 'Well women clinic' at #80/1, Vinoba Road, beside State Bank of Mysore, Shivarampet, on Nov.29 and 30 between 9 am and 1 pm. For details, contact Mob: 88847-44144.

Cancer Clinic

Preethi Cancer Centre has organised a free Cancer Detection Clinic at #873, Vani Vilas Road, Lakshmipuram, on Nov. 30 from 10 am to 8 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4259259, according to a press release.

Ph.D awardee

M.K. Ganapathy has been awarded Ph.D in Hearing Aid by the University of Mysore (UoM) for his thesis 'The effect of age and noise on acoustic change complex' submitted under the guidance of Dr. P. Manjula.

Assembly Elections - 2018

CM banks on Socio-Economic Survey to identify candidates

Siddharamaiah

Bengaluru, Nov.28- Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has begun the exercise of preparing the list of Congress candidates to fight the next Assembly elections scheduled to be held in early 2018. This behind the scene exercise is being done based on the Socio-Economic Survey conducted by the State Government recently.

Interestingly, the report has not been made public as the Chief Minister wants to use the data for electoral gains.

Sources said that on all major socio-economic indicators, Karnataka has been ranked 'above average' in the Survey. It ranks eighth in terms of Per Capita Income, eighth on the Human Development Index, and seventh in terms of urbanisation.

The Survey sheds critical light on the performance of the Government and lists out reasons on what prevents Karnataka from being the best on critical indicators.

Siddharamaiah, who has completed four years at office, is planning to come up with an electoral manifesto that will have measures to propel Karnataka to the top spot.

Sources added that the Survey report has not been made public as the Congress party plans to utilise the observations mentioned in the report to effectively counter Opposition threat and anti-incumbency factors in the next elections.

The CM has taken personal interest in the Survey report and is examining all the 224 Assembly segments in the light of the report and has begun the process of candidate selection in consultation with his close confidantes who have come from socialist background.

Surprisingly, the CM is doing this exercise alone and has not consulted Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) President Dr. G. Parameshwara and other leaders.

Siddharamaiah firmly believes that the Congress party will bounce back to power if the party fights election based on the Socio-Economic Survey.

Sources said that the CM will prepare the candidate list first along with a detailed report on the constituency, its caste equations and the suitability of the candidate. The list will be submitted to All India Congress Committee (AICC) General Secretary and Karnataka in-Charge K.C. Venugopal or Party Vice-President Rahul Gandhi.

The list will be most likely submitted to Venugopal as he has called a party organisation meeting on Dec.5 and 7 that will be attended by senior leaders and members of the party, sources added.

Siddu shielding Minister Vinay Kulkarni in murder case: Shobha Karandlaje

Shobha Karandlaje

Bengaluru, Nov. 28- BJP State General Secretary and MP Shobha Karandlaje has alleged that the State Government had 'deputed' Home Minister's Adviser Kempaiah to Hubballi-Dharwad to protect Mines and Geology Minister Vinay Kulkarni by hushing up the murder case of ZP Member Yogeshgowda Goudar.

Addressing a press conference here yesterday, Karandlaje accused Kempaiah of camping in Hubballi-Dharwad for days and speaking to the Investigating Officer of the murder case, family members of Yogesh Gowda and the local Police.

Demanding the Chief Minister to drop Vinay Kulkarni from the Cabinet, she urged the State Government to hand over the murder case to the CBI for investigation.

Accusing the State Government of systematically trying to destroy evidence in the two cases — Yogesh Gowda's murder and Dy.SP Ganapathy's death — she raised suspicions about the death of IAS officer Anurag Tewari, who was found dead under mysterious circumstances in Uttar Pradesh early this year, at a time when the IAS officer was about to recommend the Karnataka Government a CBI probe into rampant irregularities in the Food and Civil Supplies Department.

Lashing out at Littérateur Champa for his political rhetoric at the 83rd Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana held in Mysuru recently, Shobha Karandlaje urged Champa to apologise to Union Minister Ananth Kumar for his (Champa) derogatory remarks against the Union Minister.

She also criticised the State Government and the meet organisers for failing to invite Mysuru Royal family members.

Prajwal Revanna made JD(S) General Secretary

Prajwal

Bengaluru, Nov.28- JD(S) Supremo and former Prime Minister, H.D. Deve Gowda, has appointed his grandson Prajwal Revanna as General Secretary of the State Unit of the party.

Prajwal, the son of Deve Gowda's second son and former Minister H.D. Revanna, has been aspiring for a bigger role in the party for the past few months.

He had publicly criticised the party leadership over the distribution of tickets and State of affairs in the party.

According to sources, the move is seen as a push to meet the political aspiration of the former PM's grandson.

Prajwal is keen to contest from either Rajarajeshwarinagar Assembly constituency in Bengaluru or Belur in Hassan district, the sources added.

Pedestrian dies in accident

Periyapatna, Nov.28- An elderly man died after being hit by a goods auto in the taluk last night.

The deceased has been identified as Purdappashetty (75) of Ravandur village in the taluk.

Purdappashetty was walking along Periyapatna-Ravandur Road last evening, when he was knocked down by a goods auto in front of the KSRTC bus shelter.

Purdappashetty, who sustained serious injuries, was rushed to Periyapatna General Hospital, where he breathed his last late on Monday night. Bettadapura Police have registered a case and are investigating.

Toilets at KSRTC bus stand locked: Owing to official apathy, the toilets at Periyaptna KSRTC bus stand have been locked for the past two weeks, thus causing great inconvenience to the commuters, especially children, women and the aged.

Meanwhile, KSRTC officials said that as the manholes attached to the toilets have got blocked, it had become inevitable for them to lock the toilets. Repeated requests to the authorities concerned to immediately clean the blockage have proved futile, they said while expressing their helplessness.

TEASER By N. Prakash

Despite ban, malls, business establishments continue to levy parking fee

Mysuru, Nov. 28 (MTY&BCT)- A day after the Mysore City Corporation (MCC) passed an order making it mandatory for business establishments such as malls to stop collecting parking fee, it was business as usual for parking attendants this morning as they continued to collect parking fee from motorists.

Malls, business establishments, hospitals which charge parking fee from attendants of patients and visitors continued to charge money today and were issuing parking tickets.

Yesterday, acting on complaints from the public about commercial establishments collecting exorbitant parking fee, particularly malls, the Standing Committee on Town Planning of the MCC proposed to make parking of vehicles free in basements in those establishments.

A resolution on ending parking fee was passed by the Standing Committee under the Chairmanship of Nandeesh Preetham on March 6 this year and the council subsequently passed a resolution on May 5, backing the proposal. MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha passed an order in this regard on November 20 to provide free parking. Preetham, who had convened a meeting of the committee yesterday, had said the order has come into effect and all the establishments have to obey the diktat.

File photo

Copies of the order were despatched to the MCC Development Officers and the concerned Assistant Commissioners in all the nine Zones for immediate implementation.

MCC sources said that since today was the first day, the MCC has not acted on violators. "We will implement the order from now and will visit each commercial establishment to see to it that the order is implemented," said MCC officers.

Surprisingly, even people did not react over being charged parking fee at malls and bus stand. "Lack of communication and awareness might have made people to pay up. Moreover, office-goers will be in a hurry and they generally will not squabble with parking attendants. We have to spread awareness on the rule," Officers added.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha said that whichever commercial establishment has taken building licences from the MCC, they are bound to obey the rule. "We will act against such establishments if they flout the order," he said, adding that basements are not meant for trade if the purpose for which the licence was taken was for providing parking.

"To ensure compliance, we will first cut water supply to erring business establishments and malls. Next we will disconnect underground drainage and at the same time will take steps to cut electricity supply," he said.

Payand-park on Devaraja Urs Road: The much-debated pay-and-park scheme may not be implemented on D. Devaraja Urs Road and Sayyaji Rao Road by the MCC going by the latest order of providing free parking at malls and commercial establishments.

The MCC has been planning to introduce the pay-and-park system to regulate the premium parking spaces on these roads.

MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha said that the corporation intends to ban parking on Devaraja Urs once the road is converted into a Tender SURE road. Tender SURE (Specifications for Urban Road Execution) road standards mandate the integration of networked services under the road – water, sewage, power, OFC, gas, and storm water drains.

"We have initiated a Rs. 12 crore project for Tender SURE Road where the road will be designed in such a way that there will be no digging. It will take over 8 to 9 months for the project to complete and once it is done, parking will not be allowed on Devaraja Urs Road," the Commissioner said.

'Law is Rakshabandhan to country'

Legal Expert Dr. C.K.N. Raja is seen addressing the gathering during the Law Day celebrations at JSS Law College in city yesterday as** (from left) **First Additional Principal District and Sessions Judge G. Basavaraju, JSS Law College Chief Executive Prof. K.S. Suresh, Principal District and Sessions Judge and DLSA Chairman P.G.M. Patil and DLSA Member Secretary C.G. Mohammad Muzeerulla look on.

Mysuru, Nov.28 (RKB&VNS)- Law is like a 'Rakshabandhan' to the country, said District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Member Secretary C.G. Mohammad Muzeerulla, here yesterday.

He was speaking at the Law Day event jointly organised by JSS Law College, DLSA and Mysuru BAR Association.

Stating that it was a meaningful decision to celebrate Law Day, he said that every person including judges, lawyers, law experts and law students needed law.

Prior to this, Principal District and Sessions Judge and DLSA Chairman P.G.M. Patil inaugurated the event. First Additional Principal District and Sessions Judge G. Basavaraju, Legal Expert Dr. C.K.N. Raja, Mysuru BAR Association President G.V. Ramamurthy, JSS Law College Principal Prof. M.M. Prabhuswamy, College Chief Executive Prof. K.S. Suresh and others were present.

'Seva Ratna' award presentation for State Govt. employees tomorrow

Mysuru, Nov.28 (MTY&US)- As part of Kannada Rajyotsava, Karnataka State Government Employees Association has organised a function at Kalamandira here tomorrow at 4.30 pm.

Disclosing this at a press meet at the Association office here yesterday, the Association District President H.K. Ramu said that the programme would be inaugurated by District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa.

He added that Minister for Primary and Secondary Education Tanveer Sait would present 'Seva Ratna' awards to 45 Government employees.

He further said that MLA Vasu, Deputy Chairman of Legislative Council Marithibbegowda and Association State President B.P. Manjegowda would present Pratibha Puraskar to 250 children of Government employees who had excelled in SSLC, PUC and degree examinations.

The 'Seva Ratna' award winners include MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, Additional DC T. Yogesh, MUDA Commissioner P.S. Kantharaj, Assistant Commissioner H.N. Shivegowda, ZP Deputy Secretary Shivaramegowda, DDPI Manjula, Revenue Tahsildar M. Arokya Mary and BCM District Officer Somashekar Jigini.

Association District General Secretary Naganna, Treasurer C.S. Ramesh Kumar and Association office-bearers were present at the press meet.

Anganawadi workers' rally tomorrow

Mysuru, Nov. 28- Anganawadi workers and helpers, under the banner of AITUC affiliated Karnataka State Anganawadi Workers and Helpers Federation, will take out a rally in city at 10am tomorrow (Nov.29) in protest against the Government's failure to supply eggs and vegetables for 'Mathrupurana' scheme needs as per existing market prices.

The rally, which commence from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at 10 am, will reach the DC's office, where a memorandum will be submitted. For details, contact Mob: 76761-58149.

MDJA condoles Koti's death

Mysuru, Nov. 28 (MTY&VNS)- Mysuru District Journalists' Association (MDJA) held a meeting at Pathrakartara Bhavan here yesterday to condole the death of *Andolana* Editor Rajashekar Koti, who passed away on Nov.23.

MDJA members and non-members, who were present, observed a minute's silence to condole Koti's death and offered floral tributes to his portrait.

P. Mallesh, a friend of Koti, Dr. V. Lakshminarayan and former Editor of *Outlook* Magazine Krishna Prasad were among those who spoke.

MDJA President C.K. Mahendra, former President Amshi Prasanna Kumar, MDJA City Secretary B. Raghavendra, *Andolana* Acting Editor Ravi Koti, T.V. Rajeshwar, Pragathi Gopalkrishna, Bannur K. Raju, S.T. Ravi Kumar and others were present during the meeting.

Obituary

Prabhakar Guli

Mysuru, Nov.28- Prabhakar Guli, owner of Guli Traders and Guli Automobiles, Mysuru and a resident of Lakshmipuram here, passed away at a private hospital this morning. He was 63.

He leaves behind two sons and host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at his farm in Someshwarapura today.

H.M. Ravindra

H.M. Ravindra (58), son of late writer and former VC Ha.Ma. Nayak, passed away at a private hospital in Bengaluru yesterday following brief illness. He leaves behind his wife, a son and a host of relatives and friends.

Ravindra, who completed his education in Mysuru, had settled down in Shivamogga. Last rites were performed at Shivamogga, according to family sources.

Rahul has an opportunity, but...

Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

India deserves to get back to a state of equilibrium where the faiths that sustain people are not misused for petty political purposes.

Circumstances have brought about a change in Rahul Gandhi. More complex circumstances are forcing the Congress Party to change. Gujarat elections are the first of a three-stage test that will decide whether the Congress lives or dies (the others being Karnataka elections a year from now and then the general election.) The party is fighting bravely in Gujarat, and shrewdly, too, if the alliances with Patidars and Dalits are any indication. But is that enough to get the better of the richest party in the country? (Reports mention, not hundreds, but thousands of crores of rupees being brandished about. So much for the victory over black money.)

The Congress needs an internal revolution to survive. This is history's revenge. As a national movement for Independence, it had earned the emotional backing of people en masse. Independence won, it should have wound up, as Gandhi advised, so that political organisations would have a level playing field in the new game of democracy. It chose instead to take unfair advantage of the afterglow of the freedom struggle, thereby becoming more equal than others. That advantage lasted only a few years. Then rot set in.

The undemocratic nature of dynastic rule made the rot spread fast. Rahul Gandhi's ascent to yuvaraj status brought the Congress to its lowest ebb thanks to his absences and arrogance in the early stages. Recall his barging into a press conference and publicly downgrading his own party's Prime Minister by tearing up an ordinance issued by the Government. It came as a surprise that the same man impressed audiences with his mature ways during his US visit in September. At 47, it was about time.

The flowering of Rahul Gandhi gives hope that his appointment as Congress President (expected in December) may bring about the reforms the party badly needs. The first priority is to give the party a new energy with a set of young faces. This won't be easy because every Congress leader above 60 is convinced that he deserves to be the Prime Minister of India. Note how P. Chidambaram objected when A.K. Antony's name came up as a possibility for the Vice-Presidentship of the party. That Antony cannot unite even warring Congressmen in Kerala is as evident as the fact that Chidambaram does not have a single constituency in this vast and fertile country that he can consider safe. But nothing stops Congressmen from pulling down one another.

India is the only democracy in the world where the Indian principle of *vanaprastha* is unacceptable to politicians. Rahul Gandhi's task is to bring in a New Guard without driving the Old Guard into belligerence. Some may resort to demonstrative vengeance by walking over to the BJP, but the new Congress President will do well to hold fast knowing that there is a mood change in the country.

BJP has been in power long enough for people to see the gap between word and deed at the government level. The Prime Minister holds forth on grand dreams, great principles and wonderful ideals. On the ground, the jobless turn desperate, farmers abandon all hopes, the middleclass go crazy over GST-Aadhaar idiocyncracies and, worst of all, a new criminality called lynching becomes part of a new patriotism. These sham patriots publicly call for the beheading of people they don't like. The Government encourages them by not taking any meaningful action to put them down.

That all this is done in the name of Hinduism must be abhorrent to a great many Hindus, hence the change in the public mood. In all religions the fanatics compromise the faithful. Atrocities like the Spanish Inquisition made a mockery of Christianity in Europe. The murderous advances of fundamentalism violate Islam across the world. *Sanatana Dharma* had sustained its greatness until narrow political ends turned it into an electioneering tool. India deserves to get back to a state of equilibrium where the faiths that sustain people are not misused for petty political purposes.

The BJP will continue to use religion as a polarising force because obviously it is unable to do the right thing: Winning popular support through policies that make life easier for the people. That the public has recognised this reality is Rahul Gandhi's opportunity. Across the country there is a growing realisation that something somehow must put an end to a culture that enables self-styled nationalists to offer rewards for cutting off an actress's nose. It is a shame that we have a system that does not put such anti-nationals in jail.

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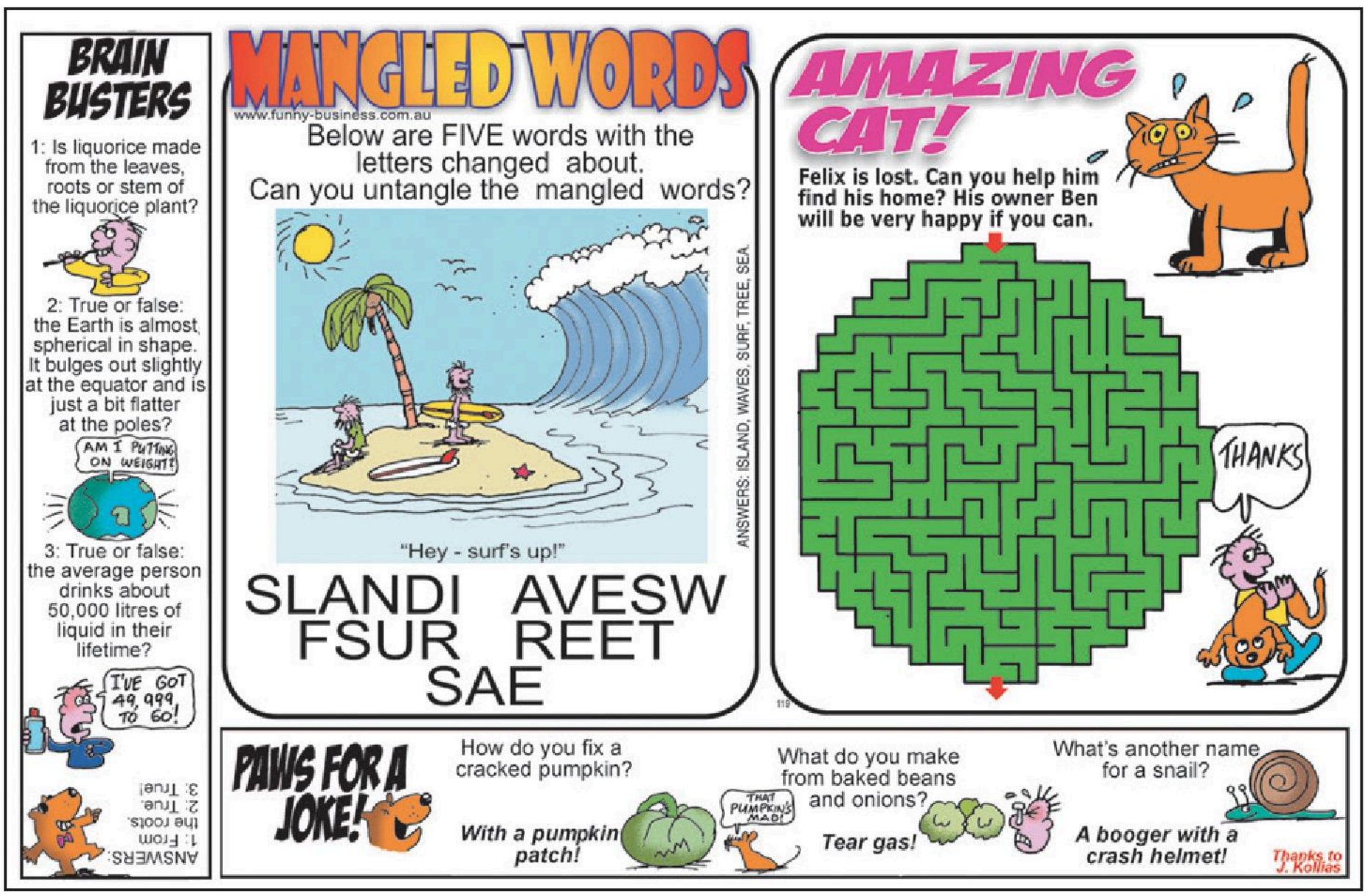

BRAIN BUSTERS
1: Is liquorice made from the leaves, roots or stem of the liquorice plant?
2: True or false: the Earth is almost spherical in shape. It bulges out slightly at the equator and is just a bit flatter at the poles?
AM I PUTTING ON WEIGHT!
3: True or false: the average person drinks about 50,000 litres of liquid in their lifetime?
I'VE GOT 49,999 TO GO!
ANSWERS: 1: From the roots. 2: True. 3: True!
MANGLED WORDS
www.funny-business.com.au
Below are FIVE words with the letters changed about. Can you untangle the mangled words?
"Hey - surf's up!"
SLANDI AVESW
FSUR REET
SAE
ANSWERS: ISLAND, WAVES, SURF, TREE, SEA.
AMAZING CAT!
Felix is lost. Can you help him find his home? His owner Ben will be very happy if you can.
THANKS
PAWS FOR A JOKE!
How do you fix a cracked pumpkin?
With a pumpkin patch!
THAT PUMPKIN'S MAD!
What do you make from baked beans and onions?
Tear gas!
What's another name for a snail?
A booger with a crash helmet!
Thanks to J. Kollias

State-level 25th National Children's Science Congress begins tomorrow

CM to inaugurate 3-day silver jubilee celebrations; 1,200 children, 300 teachers to participate

Mysuru, Nov. 28 (KS) - Mysuru, which hosted the 83rd Kannada Sahitya Sammelana from Nov. 24 to 26, will now be hosting the three-day State-level 25th National Children's Science Congress from Nov. 29 to Dec. 1 at the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) premises.

Addressing a press meet at his office here yesterday, Deputy Commissioner (DC) D. Randeep said that the 25th National Children's Science Congress, with the theme 'Science, Technology and Innovation For Sustainable Development,' organised jointly by the District Administration, National Council for Science and Technology Communication (NCSTC), New Delhi, Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat (KRVP), KSOU, University of Mysore, Department of Public Instructions, Department of Pre-University Education and other Departments, will be inaugurated by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah tomorrow (Nov. 29) at Senate Bhavan, Manasagangothri at 10.30 am.

Minister for Science and Technology M.R. Seetharam will inaugurate the Technical Session and Minister for Primary and Secondary Education Tanveer Sait will inaugurate the Science Expo. MLA vasu will preside, he said.

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep and others are seen releasing the poster of the State-level 25th National Children's Science Congress during the press meet held at his office in city yesterday.

Since this is the 25th year of the National Children's Science Congress, a special souvenir will be launched by District Incharge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa to mark the Silver Jubilee celebrations, he said.

The DC said that a total of 1,200 young Scientists selected from four categories - Junior, Senior, Rural and Urban, accompanied by 300 teachers with 100 teachers as judges will participate and added that the children will present their projects at the Technical Seminars to be held at KSOU premises.

The best 30 teams will be selected for the National-level Conference to be held in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, from Dec. 27 to 30. Accommodation, transport, food and basic facilities will be provided for the participants, said Randeep.

The DC said that young scientists selected during the 25 years will be presented with a cash prize of Rs. 10,000 each and a certificate. A poster of the State-level 25th National Children's Science Congress was released on the occasion.

On the first day (Nov. 29), a session titled 'Simple Experiments in Physics' will be held from 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm for which M.R. Dasegowda, a State award recipient and Secretary, Chitradurga Science Centre will be the resource person.

From 5 pm to 6.30 pm, a special lecture on 'DNA Fingerprint Technology' by Dr. Vinod J. Lakkappan, Assistant Director, Forensic Laboratory, Bengaluru, will be held, followed by cultural programmes from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm.

Nov. 30: Demonstration on Rocket Launching will be held from 11 am to 1 pm for which Dr. B.R. Guruprasad, Public Relations Officer, ISRO, Bengaluru, will be the resource person.

A lecture on 'Snakes' will be held from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm by city's well-known snake rescuer, wildlife conservationist and Corporator Balasubramanya (Snake Shyam).

Hulikar Nataraju, Vice-President of Karnataka State Vijnana Parishat, Bengaluru will expose the myth of miracles from 4.30 pm to 6.30 pm which will be followed by cultural programmes from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm.

Dec.1: Prof. C.S. Yoganand, Professor in Mathematics, SJCE, Mysuru, will speak about 'Mathematics in Daily Life,' from 11 am to 12.30 pm.

ISRO Chairman Prof. A.S. Kiran Kumar will deliver the valedictory of the National Children's Science Congress at 2 pm.

Minister for Primary and Secondary Education Tanveer Sait will honour students, who will be chosen as 'Yuva Vijnani' (Young Scientist). KRVP, Bengaluru, President and MLC S V Sankanur will preside over the programme.

Young delegates start arriving for Science Congress in city

Mysuru, Nov. 28 (RKB&KS) - With the three-day State-level 25th National Children's Science Congress scheduled to be inaugurated by the CM tomorrow in city, the Senate Bhavan at Manasagangothri is being spruced up for the event today.

Workers were seen cleaning the place and arranging flower and ornamental plant pots at the venue.

Thirty children from Kalaburagi including the District and Academic Co-ordinators arrived this morning with 300 children from Bagalkot and Gadag expected to arrive this evening besides 25 to 30 children from each district.

Accommodation

Children and their teachers are being provided accommodation at Maharani's Commerce Women's Hostel at Paduvarahalli, which can accommodate about 2,000 participants.

The hostel has 10 separate bathrooms and toilets and also 20 rooms with attached toilets.

Food

Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served at the first floor in Senate Bhavan for which separate counters (total six counters) for boys and girls will be opened. It will be a buffet system.

Five rooms in the first floor of Vijnana Bhavan in Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) campus has been taken for the Science Exhibition while six rooms (six students and a team leader in one room) in the second floor will host technical sessions by the children.

The students are required to give a presentation on the given topics for eight minutes and two minutes will be for evaluation by three judges.

New team for Mysuru Konkani Christian Association

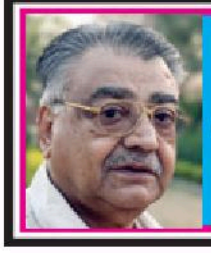
A group photo of the new team** (sitting from left) **Laveena D'Souza, Maxim D'Almeida, John William D'Souza, Vincent Crasto, John Leo Rebello, Antony Harry Pinto and Joyce Sequeira.

Mysuru, Nov.28-The Annual General Body Meeting of Konkani Christian Association, Mysuru, was held recently at Konkan Bhavan in Vijayanagar.

On the occasion, meritorious students were felicitated — two Ph.D degree holders, eight Master's, eighteen SSLC and PUC. As part of charitable services worth Rs. 1,10,000, medical assistance was given to two kidney dialysis patients, one for eye operation, and education assistance for ten students irrespective of their caste and creed.

The following members were elected unanimously as the office-bearers of the Association for the period of two years:

President - Vincent Crasto; General Secretary - John William D'Souza; Treasurer - John Leo Rebello; Vice-Presidents- Antony Harry Pinto and Joyce Sequeira; Joint Secretaries - Laveena D'Souza and Maxim D'Almeida, along with other Executive Committee Members. General Secretary John William D'Souza proposed a vote of thanks. Jt. Secretary Maxim D'Almeida conducted the proceedings.



Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Gone Away: To Germany & Austria — 9

Vienna, a genuine God's own country !

(Continued from Nov. 17)

Last time I had mentioned about the Olympic Stadium at Munich where the 1972 Olympics was held. We took a train to reach there, about half-an-hour's journey. An out of the world surprise awaited me. I had earlier seen three Olympic Stadiums — Athens, Greece; Seoul, South Korea and Beijing, China where the stadium Bird's Nest became very famous. But this one was rather weird-looking, like a bat on its wild flight or a stadium built under a massive green tent.

My friend tells me that the architect spread his imagination as wide as possible and came up with a design inspired by the Spider's Web. So it was *(see pic.1)*. We spent about an hour roaming around and then visited the nearby showroom of BMW cars. This done, there were two more engagements for us to cover in Munich but it should wait till we crossed the German international border to Austria to visit Salzburg and Vienna and spend two more days there. Since we were to take a direct flight home from Munich, this modification in our itinerary.

We took a morning train to Vienna but broke the journey at Salzburg Station — midway between Munich and Vienna — to visit the famous musician-composer-conductor Mozart's house *(see pics 2&3)*. This is where he lived in his younger days before becoming world famous making Vienna, the capital of Austria, a world centre for classical western music.

It is a small town but steeped in many centuries of culture of its own surrounded by undulating green mountains and pasture land mesmerisingly beautiful to behold. No wonder the producers of the famous, popular and a hit film '*The Sound of Music*' chose Salzburg for some of the original filming locations for the movie. There was a beautiful lake, a fort atop the Hill *(see pic.4)* and, of course, Mozart's birth place. We covered all this and returned to the Railway Station by taxi for our onward journey to Vienna.

On reaching Vienna late in the evening, we checked into a heritage hotel, Hotel Stefanie, with a hoary past beginning 1600 AD, touted as Vienna's oldest family owned hotel. Yes, I fell in love with it. An elegant 4-star hotel with an atmosphere of positive energy pervading all over. You get a feeling of elation and well-being in your room and around the hotel. Food too was too good.

Since photographs speak more eloquently than words, more so when poorly used, let me show some pictures of Vienna. First the famous Schönbrunn Palace — too huge, massive. It has a very long and many momentous history as our guide would narrate. It is also country's (Austria's) most important cultural monument *(see pic.5)*. A dynastic Palace of the ruling Habsburg family since the reign of Max Million II (1569).

It is so huge with hundreds of rooms and halls, the Palace had more than 1,500 employees for the upkeep! And 200 to light the candles!! The birthdays of the royalty would be observed with over 100 royal family members and guests eating and drinking while a 1,000 courtiers and the public would be watching in wonder and admiration from a distance.

Though from outside the Palace looks like a massive building of brick and mortar, inside it is a world of fantasy and opulence non-compare. Even the palace in Paris, Versailles, is no patch on the glittering decor and the precious, exotic artefacts you find here in rooms after rooms as you move on.

The grandeur inside will blind you. Such was the unbelievable decor and richness of this Palace with an equally beautiful, well-laid garden running to nearly a kilometre.

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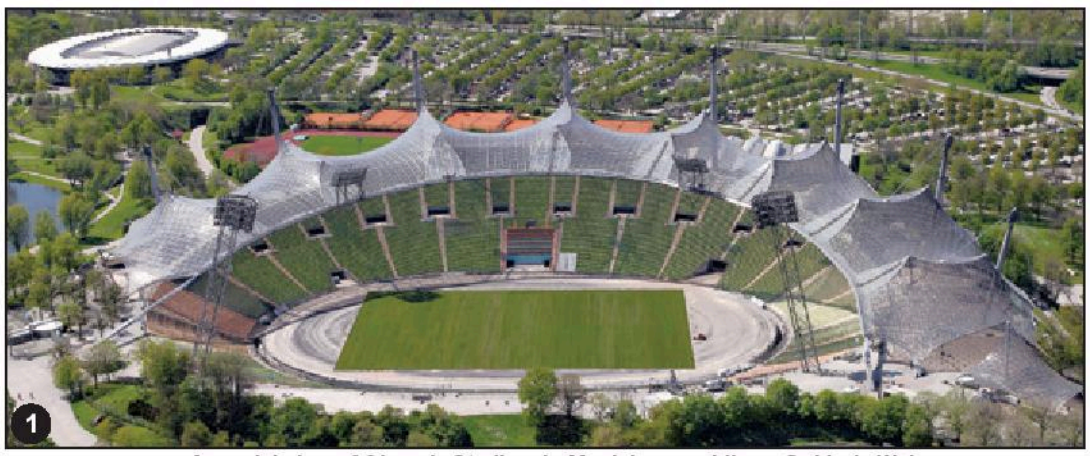
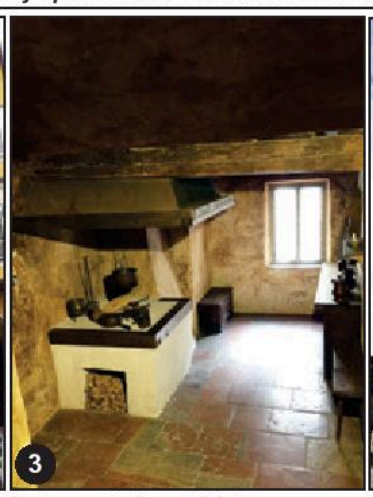
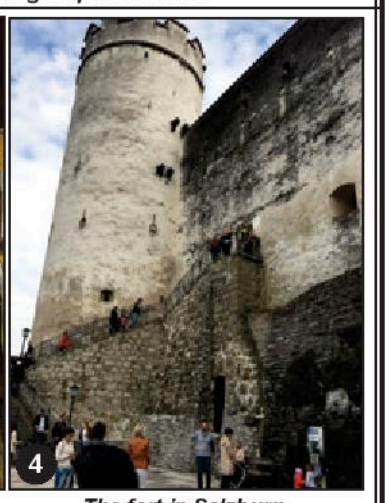


An aerial view of Olympic Stadium in Munich resembling a Spider's Web.

Famous composer Mozart's house (left) and kitchen.





The fort in Salzburg.

The massive Schönbrunn Palace.

CM on three-day trip to City

To attend nephew's wedding at Siddaramanahundi

Mysuru, Nov.28- Chief Minister Siddharamaiah will be on a three-day tour to the city to participate in various programmes.

Siddharamaiah

He will leave Bengaluru's HAL Airport in a special aircraft this evening at 4 and land in Mysore Airport at 4.35 pm. He will leave by road to Siddaramanahundi, Varuna Hobli in Mysuru Taluk, participate in local programmes and return to Mysuru in the night and stay in the city.

Tomorrow, Siddharamaiah will inaugurate the State-Level 25th National Children's Science Congress-2017 at 10.30 am at Senate Bhavan, Manasagangotri Campus.

He will then proceed to Siddaramanahundi at 11 am to attend the marriage of his second brother Ramanna's second son R. Raghu being married to T. Abhinaya. Then he will participate in a few local programmes and return to the city and stay overnight.

On Nov. 30, he will have interaction with Examination Officials at 9.30 am at Administrative Training Institute.

At 11 am, he will participate in a programme organised by Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (Minority Wing) at the District Congress Office, near Railway Station, Dasappa Circle.

He will fly in a helicopter from Mysore Airport at 1 pm and land in Narasimharajapura Helipad (Government First Grade College premises, Menasuru) Chikamagalur District.

He will lay the foundation stone for Bhadra Backwater bridge connecting five villages from Narasimharajapura to Handuru at 2.30 pm. He will inaugurate various development works, lay foundation stone and distribute various facilities to people at 3 pm.

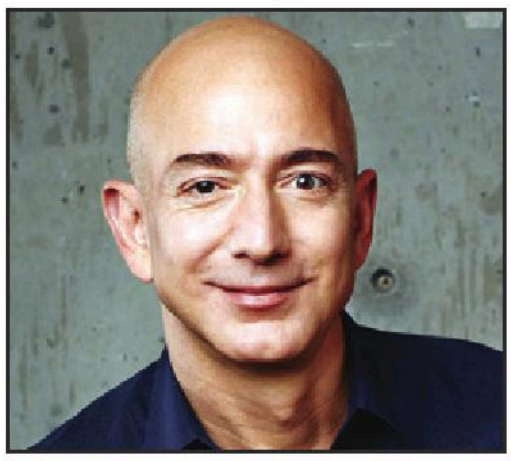
At 4.30 pm, he will participate in the programme organised by the District Congress Committee and stay overnight at Koppa, Chikkamagaluru district.

Last Date Extended

Mysuru, Nov.28 (US) - The last date to submit application online or offline for admission to 6th standard at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya in the district for the year 2018-19 has been extended till Dec.2 and the test will be held on Feb.10, 2018, according to a press release.

Amazing customer service

Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos helps a Mysurean get his money back !



Jeff Bezos

Two months ago Girish Baga, a resident of Kuvempunagar, wanted to buy a blanket. Instead of going to the local market he browsed online to see if there were any sales. He visited *Amazon.com* and found a blanket he liked and bought it.

A week later the blanket arrived. It was not to Girish's liking and so he put in a call to return it. Promptly, an Amazon delivery person came and picked up the package. But a few weeks later the same blanket was delivered again.

Girish once again called the call centre and told them to take it back and refund his money. They again, promptly came and picked up the blanket.

But when they did not credit his money even after weeks, he called the Amazon call centre numerous times to no avail. With no Amazon office to go to for a personal service, Girish gave up on his money untill…

A few days ago Girish read an article about Jeff Bezos, the CEO of *Amazon.com*, being worth 100 billion dollars. Irritated that Jeff Bezos was worth 100 billion but his company could not even refund his money, Girish googled for Jeff Bezos' contact and found his e-mail address.

He then promptly wrote to Amazon boss informing him that his company had not returned his money in spite of repeated requests to the call centre. Girish also shared his details but didn't expect an answer. After all, Jeff Bezos is CEO of one the biggest companies on the planet.

To Girish's surprise, the next day he got a phone call from a number registered in Ireland. The caller on the other end after profusely apologising to Girish informed him that he had got an e-mail from Jeff Bezos with instruction to resolve his issue. He also informed Girish that the Indian resolution team had been instructed to immediately take action. Girish thanked him and kept the phone. And within hours the complete amount of the blanket was credited to Girish's bank account.

When the top man of a company is this sensitive to customers' grievances, that company is bound to be successful. No wonder, Jeff Bezos is worth 100 billion dollars.

We wonder if our CEOs would respond this efficiently to the grievances of their ordinary customers.

Dear Girish,

I'm Shakeeb of Amazon.in's Executive Customer Relations team. Jeff Bezos received your email, and I'm responding on his behalf.

I'm sorry to learn about the experience you've had with your order # 406-3952798-3205118. As discussed, I've initiated a full refund of Rs.1434.51 to your bank account.

Once again, I'm sorry that your order experience hasn't been as positive as anticipated. I hope you'll consider this as an isolated incident and give us another chance to serve you again in the future.

With Javagal Srinath in, Clean City initiative gains momentum

Former International Cricketer and MCC Swachh Bharat Ambassador Javagal Srinath, who launched the awareness programme in city, here this morning, is seen in conversation with Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru, President Swami Atmajnanandaji Maharaj as Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, Cleanliness Ambassador and Yoga Champ Kushi Hemachandra, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, Corporators K.T. Cheluvegowda, Mahadevappa, Shivanna and others look on.

Mysuru, Nov. 28 (RKB&VNS) - The clean city initiative launched by Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), to regain the top spot as the cleanest city in the country, gained momentum with MCC organising a public awareness jatha in Wards 25 to 29 coming under Zone 5, here this morning.

Awareness Jatha was launched by MCC Cleanliness Ambassador Javagal Srinath at the Basavanagudi Park in Hebbal. Srinath, accompanied by Yoga Champ and Cleanliness Ambassador Kushi Hemachandra, Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, Corporators and school children went around all five wards and distributed pamphlets door-to-door in an effort to create awareness on Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

Prior to the jatha, Javagal Srinath also administered the cleanliness oath to the students and members present who promised to make sure to segregate the dry waste at homes.

Speaking on the occasion, Javagal Srinath said that cleanliness should be our lifestyle and ensure that our surroundings are kept clean.

Kushi, who spoke on the occasion, said Swachh Bharat was Mahatma Gandhi's dream and added that the initiative was launched by PM Narendra Modi to mark Gandhiji's Birth Anniversary. She added that it was not only PM's responsibility but also the duty of every citizen to make sure that the dream of clean India was realised. "Mysuru, which won the cleanest city title twice, last year ended up in 5th place. It is important to ensure that the city becomes the cleanest city again", said Kushi.

Former MLC D. Madegowda, Corporators K.T. Cheluvegowda, Mahadevappa and Shivanna, Health Officer Dr. Nagaraj and others were present.

HPCL conducts off-site mock drill in city

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep taking a look at various fire extinguishing equipment on display during the Off-Site Disaster Management Plan Mock Drill by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) at HPCL Mysuru Chainage 100 km of KIADB, in Hebbal Industrial Area in city this morning. Picture right shows the off-site mock drill in progress.

Remarkable Veene Seshanna Day

By Dr. Rama V. Bennur

The names Veene and Seshanna (1852-1926) are inseparable. His contribution to the field of Veena is remarkable. He was mainly responsible for spreading Mysuru's galore of music in and out of India. It is believed that it was he, who is responsible for the famed 'Mysuru Baani' or style of playing. He was a pious devotee of Saraswathi, hailed from a reputed family of Vainikas who adorned the court of Mysuru. He was also adept in playing violin, Piano, Jaltarang and Swarabath.

Seshanna was also a great composer. His Thillanas are popular among musicians and dancers. He has composed in many rare ragas like Jhalavarali, Gamanashrama and Rishabhapriya and taalas like Sankeerna Mattya, Mishra Triputa and Khanda Dhruva. His disciples include the famous Veena Venkatagiriyappa, Shermadevi Subramanya Shastri, Laxminaranappa, Tirumalai Rajamma, Artist Venkatappa and his grandson Swaramurthy V.N. Rao. Dr. Doreswami Iyengar, M.J. Srinivasaiyengar and R.N. Doreswamy and M.K. Saraswathi, all belong to his Shishya Parampare. Hence, one can say that his legacy is continuing.

'Ganabharathi,' which has a building in Seshanna's name, celebrated his day on the 12th of November in a unique way by arranging Veena recitals from morning to night. Many eminent Vainikas paid rich tributes to the Great Vainika by including his compositions in their playing.

Vidu. Bharathi accompanied by Saishivu (mridanga) and S. Manjunath (ghata) performing at Ganabharathi.

S.V. Sahana, along with G.S. Ramanujam (mridanga) and V.S. Ramesh (ghata), performing at Ganabharathi.

Vidu. Bharathi opened the series accompanied by **Saishivu** (Mridanga) and **S. Manjunath** (Ghata) with his Varna in the raga Jhalavarali. Apart from 'Mahaganapathim', she played 'Ubhaya Kaveri Ranga' (Gamanashrama) and a tillana (Khamach) of Seshanna.

D. Balakrishna, son of Dr. Doreswamilyengar took the stage along with **G.S. Ramanujam** (Mridanga) and **S. Manjunath** (Ghata). He is known for his pure Mysuru style of playing with rich raga bhava and no frills or fancy. He had selected only Seshanna's compositions. The opening Varna in Kedara 'Sarasijakshi' (Khanda Atta) paved way to typical Aanandabhairavi that had Mysuru flavour. 'Rama ninnu' included crisp kalpanaswaras too. A fine delineation of Vachaspathi was followed by 'Emanidelupudura' and the famous Darbarikanada Tillana.

The duo **Geetha Raman** and and **Revathy Murthy,** accompanied by **Adamya** and **H.R. Manjunath** presented yet another simple and soothing veena. They opted to play 'Nada sudharasa' (Aarabhi-Tyagaraja), 'Marivere' (Shanmukhapriya-Patnam Subramanyaayyar) and Seshanna's Kannada Devaranama 'Siriye' (Jinjhoti) and Behag Tillana.

Prashanth Iyengar from Bengaluru transformed the whole atmosphere by displaying his tremendous control on the instrument. His young son **Shree Rama** too joined him with **Adamya** and **M.R. Manjunath.** He displayed all his skills in the elaborate raga Hemavathi. His perfect pulling could bring out three or four notes! 'Ninnujuchi' was power packed. 'Jagadoddharana' was an entirely different and sober presentation stressing only on the raga bhava.

Balu Masti, with **H.L. Shivashankaraswamy** and **V.S. Ramesh** gave a neat recital. 'Lambodarayanamasthe' (Varali-Muthuswami Dikshitar), 'Tamasambu Seyaka' (Kambodhi-Seshanna), 'Taramugadura' (Dharmavathi-Seshanna) and 'Pakkalanilabadi' (Kharaharapriya-Tyagaraja) were the items that were smooth and emphasised on the richness of the compositions. Young **S.V. Sahana** along with **G.S. Ramanujam** and **V.S. Ramesh** gave an energetic performance. She chose to play 'Siddhivinayakam' (Shanmukhapriya M. Dikshitar) 'Sharavanabhava' (Pashupathipriya-Muthaiah Bhagavatar), 'Rama ninnu' (Anandabhairavi-Seshanna) and 'Siriye' (Jinjhoti-Seshanna). While the first two compositions showcased her fantastic control on the speed, Aanandabhairavi proved her ability to produce pure and rich music.

The last three vainikas did total justice to the divine instrument. **Mudikondan Ramesh,** with **H.L. Shivashankaraswamy** and **Sharath Kaushik** filled the auditorium with his Veenanaada. Every note he produced carried not only the raga bhava, but also the divine music. All the ragas he played like, Hamsadhwani, Mohana and Khamach were sufficient evidence to establish this. A perfect, sincere approach that optimised every nuances the instrument could produce. 'Raghunayaka', 'Evarura', 'Kaapaadabekuthaye' and 'Siriye' were brimming with purity.

Rajalakshmi of Mysuru played with **Tumkur Ravishankar** and **Sharath Kaushik.** Her playing highlighted the Mysurubaani with deep gamakas and the typical fingering techniques. Her opening number was a majestic Swarajathi (Bhairavi) of Seshanna followed by a very satisfying alapana of the raga Gaanamurthi and 'Sripathe' with a cascade of kalpanaswaras. Another hallmark of her playing was raga Naasikabhushini and Dikshitar's 'Sri Ramaasaraswathi.'

The concluding concert was by **Vidu. Yogavandana.** Her playing was to reveal purity and only the purity of music. No gimmicks or stunts to attract the audience. She was accompanied by **Tumkur Ravishankar** and **Vikram Bharadhwaj.** She started off with a swarajathi in Kharaharapriya, followed by 'Durmargachara'(Ranjani-Tyagaraja) and a fine composition of Mysuru Sadashiva Rao 'Shree Kamakoti' in Saveri. It was indeed a soothing alapa and the kalpanaswaras showed her rich imagination. Seshanna's Hindustani Kapi Tillana brought the curtain down to a wonderful day with Veena. A worthy salutations to a Great Vainika indeed.

Prashanth Iyengar and his son Shree Rama, accompanied by Adamya (mridanga) and M.R. Manjunath (ghata) presenting a veena concert.

Rajalakshmi presenting veena recital along with Sharath Kaushik on ghata; Vidu. Yogavandana, playing veena along with Tumkur Ravishankar (mridanga) and Vikram Bharadhwaj (ghata).

Winners of NR Open Golf Tournament

Mysuru, Nov. 28- The two-day NR Open Golf Tournament organised by NR Group culminated recently with the valedictory ceremony held at JWGC premises.

The tournament witnessed around 200 golf enthusiasts participating across 16 categories. NR Group Managing Partners Arjun Ranga, Pavan Ranga, Kiran Ranga, Vishnu Ranga and Anirudh Ranga presented the trophies to the winners. JWGC President B.M. Nagesh, Hon. Secretary V.G. Achar, Captain Dr. Venkatesh Joshi, Hon. Treasurer Dr. S. Prasanna Shankar and Tournament Sub-Committee Chairman H.S. Hemanth were present. The following are the winners:

1. Strokeplay Gross: K.A. Anil Kumar (73 Gross)-winner; Disha Kaveri (75 Gross)- runner—(Better Back 6 Over N. Maneesh & Vidhatri K. Urs).

2. Strokeplay Net (H/C 0 to 12): N. Maneesh (65 Net)-winner; Dhruv Bopanna (66 Net)- runner.

3. Strokeplay Net (H/C 13 to 18): A. Anantha (65 Net)-winner; Surendra Agarwal (67 Net)-runner.

4. Stableford Net (H/C 0 to 18): Vidhatri K. Urs (40 Points)-winner; Ramesh Kumar Jain (39 Points)- runner — (Better Back 9 Over Vinay Natarajan).

5. Stableford Net (H/C 0 to 24): Dr. S.K. Ghori (38 Points)-winner; S.K. Ramalinge Gowda (38 Points)- runner—For Seniors Above 65 Years & Above.

6. Stableford Net (H/C 0 to 24): K.C. Eapen (33 Points)-winner — For Super Seniors 70 Years & Above.

7. Stableford Net (H/C 0 to 24): M. Akhilesh Shenoy (37 Points)-winner; Drishti Karumbaya (34 Points)-runner—For Juniors.

8. Stableford Net (H/C 0 to 24): Gayathri Mohan (37 Points)-winner; NeeharikaThangamma (34 Points)-runner—For Ladies.

9. Longest Drive - 9th Hole: K.A. Anil Kumar (320 Yards).

10. Straightest Drive - 1st Hole: C.K.Subramani (5 Feet).

11. Nearest to the Pin - 12th Hole: N. Maneesh (7 Feet 8 Inches).

12. Maximum No. of Birdies: Vidhatri K. Urs(4 Birdies)

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13. Match Play Singles Gross Event: K.A. Anil Kumar-winner; V. Prakash- runner.

14. Match Play Singles Net Event: Rear. Admiral Ravi Gaikwad-winner; M.R. Mohan Kumar-runner.

15. Match Play Doubles Net Event: H.S. Arun Kumar and B.S. Krishna -winner; Disha Kaveri and Vidhathri K. Urs-runner.

16.Match Play Singles Net Event For Seniors: G. Narasimha Murthy-winner; Lt. Col.K.P. Vijay Kumar-runner.

Excels in Roller Skating

Mysuru, Nov. 28- City's **G.D. Anju,** an 8th Std student of St. Philo Carmel Convent, excelled in the recently concluded Roller Skating Championship in Mangaluru. Anju won gold in 300 mts, silver in 500 mts and bronze in 1000 mts races. She is the daughter of Dattatreya and Kavitha couple, residents in Shivaratheeshwara Nagar. Anju trains under Srikanth Rao.

Indore ITF Women's Tennis Tournament

City's Dhruthi enters pre-quarters

Indore, Nov. 28- City's Dhruthi T. Venugopal representing India in the $15,000 ITF Women's Tennis Tournament at Indore won the first round women's singles tie yesterday.

In the first round of the women's singles event, Dhruthi beat Satwika Sama (IND) 4-6, 6-3, 6-1 and entered the pre-quarterfinals. In the women's doubles pre-quarter-final tie, third seeded pair of Dhruthi and Thailand's Bunyawi Thamchaiwat beat Jiakang LI (China) & Yexin MA (China) 6-7(5), 7-5, 10-8.

CVL Sastry Memorial State Ranking Table Tennis Tournament

Spoorthy finishes runner-up

Bengaluru, Nov.28- M.V. Spoorthy, a student of SBRR Mahajana FGC, taking part in the CVL Sastry Memorial State Ranking Table Tennis Tournament at Bengaluru finished arunner-up in the women's singles on Sunday last.

In the women's singles final, V. Kushi beat M.V. Spoorthy (BNM) 11-7, 1-11, 11-6, 12-10, 11-8. In the semi-finals, M.V. Spoorthy beat Sushmitha Bidiri 9-11, 11-9, 11-3, 11-5,12-10. In the Youth girls singles event, Yeshaswini Ghorpade (Skies) beat M.V. Spoorthy (BNM) 11-8, 11-9, 11-9, 9-11, 6-11, 9-11, 11-9.

Kohli rested for ODIs against Lanka

Mumbai, Nov. 28- Indian skipper Virat Kohli, who has been playing non-stop cricket for the past year-and-a-half, has been rested from the 15-member squad for the three-match ODI series against Sri Lanka, beginning Dec. 10 at the Himachal Pradesh Cricket Association (HPCA) Stadium in Dharamsala.

In Kohli's absence, India's vice-captain and opener Rohit Sharma has been named to lead the limited-overs squad against the islanders, the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) announced.

Kohli, however, will continue to captain the Test squad in the third game of the ongoing three-match series, which will be held at the Ferozshah Kotla Stadium in New Delhi from Dec. 2.

Meanwhile, opener Shikhar Dhawan, who missed India's massive win by an innings and 239 runs in the second Test against Lanka in Nagpur due to personal reasons, has been recalled in the squad for the final Test.

India squad for the third Test: Virat Kohli (Captain), M. Vijay, K.L. Rahul, Shikhar Dhawan, Cheteshwar Pujara, Ajinkya Rahane (Vice-Captain), Rohit Sharma, Wriddhiman Saha, R Ashwin, Ravindra Jadeja, Kuldeep Yadav, Mohammed Shami, Umesh Yadav, Ishant Sharma, Vijay Shankar.

India squad for the ODI series: Rohit Sharma (Captain), Shikhar Dhawan, Ajinkya Rahane, Shreyas Iyer, Manish Pandey, Kedar Jadhav, Dinesh Karthik, M.S. Dhoni (WK), Hardik Pandya, Axar Patel, Kuldeep Yadav, Yuzvendra Chahal, Jasprit Bumrah, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Siddarth Kaul.

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MYSORE WINTER RACES 2017

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

'Sherlock' expected to win

Mysuru, Nov.28- Following are the selections for the 2nd Day of Mysore Winter Races to be held here tomorrow (Nov.29):

1.	1.45 PM	**THE MANASAGANGOTRI PLATE** 1200 mts. 2 yrs (terms), outstation horses *1. Mongolian King 2. Mr. Handsome*
2.	2.15 PM	**THE KAKANAKOTE PLATE- DIV II** 1400 mts. (rated 00 to 25) *1. Safe Bet 2. Giralda*
3.	2.45 PM	**THE GREAT CHERISMA PLATE** 1200 mts. (rated 20 to 45) *1. Bestow 2. Point*
4.	3.15 PM	**THE KAKANAKOTE PLATE- DIV I** 1400 mts. (rated 00 to 25) *1. Bold Nature 2. Ice Weapon*
5.	3.45 PM	**THE BIG DEAL PLATE - DIV II** 1100 mts. (rated 20 to 45) *1. Lovely Micmel 2. Silver Grey*
6.	4.15 PM	**THE DR. ISHWARI G.K. BALAKRISHNAN MEMORIAL TROPHY** 1600 mts. (rated 40 to 65) *1. Sherlock 2. Reanna*
7.	4.45 PM	**THE WYNAD PLATE** 1400 mts. rated 75 and above, outstation horses *1. San Martino 2. Rafa*
8.	5.15 PM	**THE BIG DEAL PLATE- DIV I** 1100 mts. (rated 20 to 45) *1. Ice Dancer 2. Star Command*

DAY'S BEST: *SHERLOCK*

DOUBLE: *1. MONGOLIAN 2. LOVELY MICMEL*

JACKPOT: *4,5,6,7,8;* ***I-TREBLE:*** *1,2,3;* ***II-TREBLE:*** *3,4,5*

III-TREBLE: *6,7,8* ***EXACTAS:*** *7, 8*

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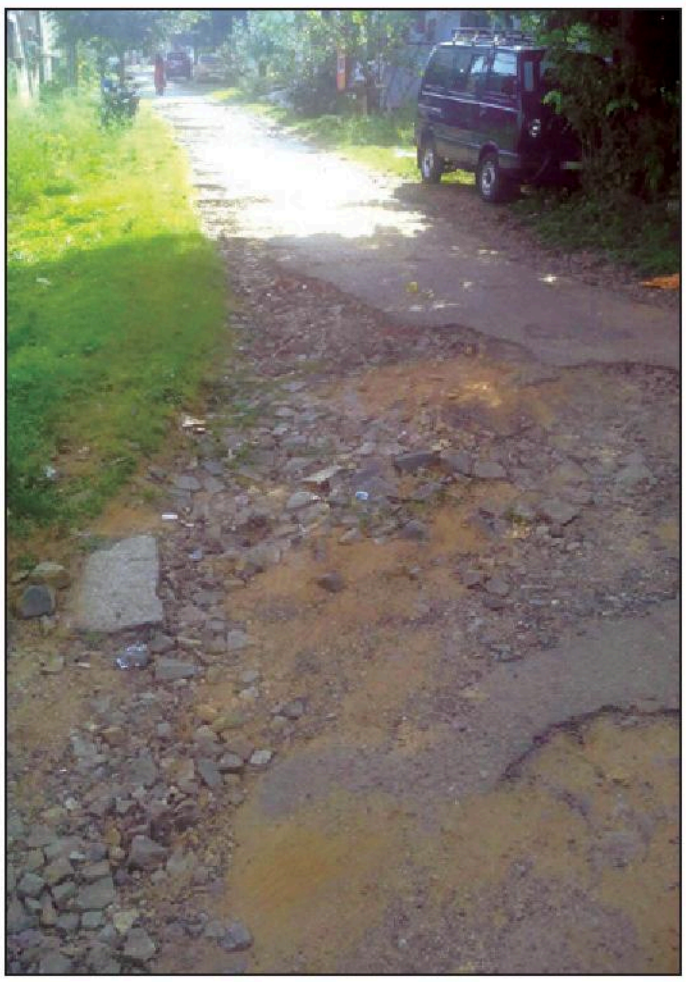
Asphalt 14th Cross Road at Ramakrishnanagar



The 14th Cross Road at Ramakrishnanagar E&F Block has to undergo major repair immediately as it has become unmotorable resulting in residents and other motorists facing hardship while travelling on this road. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the road repaired at the earliest.

Sewage water overflowing on Shivaji Road

Sewage water from a clogged drain is overflowing on the Shivaji Road 3rd Cross, opposite a park at N.R. Mohalla resulting in foul smell engulfing the surrounding. With water getting stagnant, the place has become a perfect place for mosquitoes to breed resulting in increase in mosquitoes in the vicinity. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the drain cleaned at the earliest.

A Rs.12 Crore Question

To have it curved or straight?

By Dr. B.R. Sainath Iyer

Hunsur Road in Mysuru is acutely curved for about 400-850 meters near Kalamandira to Jaladarshini Guest House and it has been like that for years. Accidents have been occurring on that stretch for years. Suddenly these facts have become eyesore and unacceptable for no known reason and lines are drawn for confrontation between the Government and the NGOs. It is necessary to see all 360 degrees of the issue.

It seems that the Govt. has consulted a private agency and on the basis of its report, the Engineer says 'only solution is to straighten the road.' And so, a project costing Rs.12 crore will be taken up to broaden the stretch of road, which will also straighten it and this will, it is believed, prevent accidents and loss of life occurring at the stretch.

In the meantime, NGOs protested against this project for various reasons and from the discussions, two points emerge, which are worthy of consideration as cause for accidents: 1) Acute curvature on the stretch and 2) Irresponsible transport system.

If curvature is the only cause of accidents, do all the curved roads in Mysuru, (there are many, one of 90 degree curvature in Outer Ring Road (ORR) near Seshadripuram College is mentioned by ACP), face accidents? Yes. In this stretch in ORR two accidents occur every week. Do they all have 'banking'? If so, are we going to straighten all the roads? If not, what is the pressing reason for so urgently putting effect to the straightening project spending Rs.12 crore for 850 meters only on Hunsur Road? Government may have a valid reason. The people only want to know for transparency.

A senior Traffic Police Officer had commented that almost all accidents at the spot occur only between 12 midnight and dawn. The curvature in the road exist all 24 hours. If it is the sole cause of accidents, why they do not occur any other time of the day?

May be the curvature has no role in the cause of accidents or it is only a contributory factor. So, obviously there must be other more important causes for the accidents. Under these circumstances should we not undertake a thorough investigation for all the causes before jumping to a project at Rs.12 crore to rectify imaginary contributory cause only? The statement of current engineer that the only solution for preventing accidents is straightening the road looks a bit clumsy.

Needs transparency

The protesting activists had pointed out that our transport system with all its components is grossly faulty. If other cause for accidents exists, what are they?

Irresponsible driving: Driving without a licence, licence obtained from 'Agents' without taking driving tests. Drunken driving, coolly ambling through red light or rushing through orange in front of smiling Police at traffic lights.

Traffic violation: Performing stunts on the road, not following lane rules and driving for prolonged hours without rest leading to 'micro sleep' and accidents. Effect of medication like cough and cold remedies which cause drowsiness.

Carrying more than two persons on two-wheelers, driving while talking on mobile or with earphones on. Partying in a car, romance and sex in car on move, one can go on.

We cannot blame anyone. All of us including parents, youth and Police authorities are responsible. We commit these crimes or connive to be silent on them. There is a need for a strict sensible paradigm shift to occur. Education on wheels has to be taken up on a war-footing. Curvature in our crooked attitudes have to be straightened and not just the Hunsur Curvature.

In the second most populated country of the world with 125 crores of people to be served, Police or any official cannot be present to act immediately in all places. We people have to take major responsibility for our own security. Authorities only can give supportive hand.

What should be done?

A thorough retrospective study should be undertaken for all accidents that occurred at the point in question and also other places in Mysuru for comparison in the past to find the why, what, how and where of the accidents. The results should form the basis for suitable action. A prospective study will not be ethical to undertake.

Well-painted speed breakers, medians, barricades and road limits should be put in place immediately. Speed Limit boards should be more clear and prominent. May be the speed limit for the time being can be further reduced to 30 km for the patch.

Knowing our irresponsible drivers, these measures alone will not work. We must have a Traffic Police Patrol Car on duty at the spot all 24 hours or at least for the six-hour period after midnight to deter or to immediately book the offenders. This will also help the unfortunate victims of accidents to get immediate legal and ambulance services in deserted roads at that time of the night.

It would be a bit expensive but more effective to install CCTV cameras at the spot and directly connect them to the nearest Police Station for 24 hour monitoring and immediate action.

It is said that the project is likely to go on till January. It may be prolonged as Government projects usually do and be affected by weather vagaries.

The People of Mysuru have complete faith in their elected and selected officers that whatever they do will be for the benefit, only for the benefit of the Mysureans. We will accept whatever is decided by our officials.

We only seek transparency and accountability.

Footpaths in Mysuru are unsafe

It is like an invitation to disaster at many places

The state of the footpath on Lalitha Mahal Palace Road near Administrative Training Institute (ATI) and Karanji Lake. Picture right shows Garbage strewn on the footpath on Krishna Vilas Road.

Mysuru, Nov.28 (SBD&NNN)- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) is relentlessly pursuing the mission of clearing the footpaths from hawkers and eating joints. However, it has completely failed in keeping them clean and fit for pedestrians to walk.

Except for a few footpaths in the city, others are in bad shape. If the pedestrians are even a bit careless they can land in trouble. One of the prime examples of this state of affairs is the footpath on Lalitha Mahal Palace Road near Administrative Training Institute (ATI) and Karanji Lake, which is a tourist spot where even nature lovers congregate.

This footpath is in a state of disrepair. It is a sad and ugly sight. There is a storm water drain here and in many places, the concrete slabs are broken. One can also see wild growth of bushes and weeds that covers the ditches. If a pedestrian accidentally steps on it then he could just go down twist and fracture his leg.

As the drain is at least three to four feet in depth, it could also endanger one's life. In the guise of helping the citizens and clearing the footpaths, the MCC has however failed to maintain the footpaths. It claims that it has hundreds of crores of grant for providing basic facilities. But nothing of this money is seen on ground, as footpaths continue to sport a sorry spectacle.

The MCC Corporators and Administrators are very vocal in demanding and collecting taxes and issuing notices. However, when it comes to the facilities that they need to provide to the people, they do not show the same enthusiasm.

Why should the citizens cry for good roads, footpaths, lights and other basic amenities? Is it not a sacrilege on the part of the city's fathers to ignore the fundamental rights of the citizens?

The citizens have sent a warning that if there is a problem to life and limb then the City Corporation will be held responsible. A couple of months ago, a young woman after a hard day's work was returning home on her two-wheeler. It had rained heavily and the pothole was filled with water. She inadvertently drove on it fell down and broke her hand. She was not able to attend work for more than three months.

Is it not the duty of the Corporation to see that potholes are covered? Who will compensate her for the loss of salary and untold misery and physical hardship she suffered?

Disappearing footpaths: On Krishna Vilas Road very little footpath is left. Even that looks lost as it is covered with bushes and weeds. Right next to Maharani's PU Composite College compound, mounds of garbage collects every day.

The school and college students pass by this road regularly to reach the bus stand. As the footpath is dirty and very small, instead of walking on it, the students are forced to walk on the road amidst traffic.

Before the Corporation blames the citizens for lack of interest in participating in the Swachh Survey, it is better if it takes care of all these burning issues and sets it right.

Stray cattle menace in city streets

Mysuru, Nov.28 (SBD&NNN)- If there is one lobby very powerful and strong in the country, it is the cow lobby. Hence, we see stray cattle on the road blocking the traffic with impunity.

The domestic cows are left on the roads and they move about freely hindering the movement of traffic.

Recently a stray unstable horse caused panic on Devaraj Urs Road with its strange behaviour.

However, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has ignored this menace of the stray cattle on the roads. As a standing example, just yesterday a herd of stray cattle occupied the M.G. Road. The cars and two-wheelers were forced to negotiate the road with great difficulty.

Even if they honked, the cattle would not budge causing a traffic jam.

Exasperated a few of the motorists got down from their vehicles and shooed away the cattle. But, it hardly helped as they just moved to the next road to cause more problems.

Will the MCC do something to prevent the menace or will the citizens continue to suffer and be victims of accidents?

8 donkeys freed after three days in jail for destroying plants

Lucknow, Nov.28- Eight donkeys walked free from Orai District Jail yesterday after serving a three-day sentence for feasting on plants and destroying flower pots placed outside the prison gates for a 'Swachh Bharat' project. Their deed, in which other animals were also allegedly involved, cost the jail administration a loss of 'Rs. 50,000'.

The donkeys were handed over to their owner after the latter gave an affidavit promising they would never be seen around the prison building again, said the jail administration, adding that they locked the animals in a room inside the prison premises "to teach a lesson" to owners who leave their animals loose.

Superintendent of Orai District Jail, Sitaram Sharma, said, "We had been planning a plantation on jail campus under the Swachh Bharat Mission. We had brought some plants from Delhi and Agra. But in the last few days, goats, cows and donkeys destroyed these plants and flower pots worth over Rs.50,000. We caught these animals, traced the owners of the goats and cows and handed over the animals with instructions not to let their animals loose here." He added, "However, we failed to trace the owner of the eight donkeys. So we locked up these animals in an old empty building inside the jail premises day before yesterday." Yesterday morning, Kamlesh Kumar, the owner of the donkeys, arrived. Jail officials released the equines after he "requested for forgiveness" and submitted an affidavit stating he would not leave the donkeys loose in the area again.

WORD OF THE DAY

Factotum

Pronunciation: fak-toh-tuhm
Meaning: A factotum is a do-all, literally. If you're more of a jack-of-all-trades than a specialist in candles, glass eyes, fence repairs, or safe-cracking, perhaps being a factotum is the best fit for you. A factotum either serves as a handy-man or servant around the house, or is an employee or official with many various professional responsibilities.
Origin: The word comes from Latin fac meaning "do!" (imperative), and to-tum meaning "everything".

THE ODD WORD

Ecophobia

Fear of home.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

The jury is still out

Meaning: Judgement has not yet been finalised on a particular subject; especially due to information being incomplete.
Origin: 'The Jury Is Still Out' has been a staple headline in US newspapers for at least 150 years; for example, this from The New York Daily-Times, May 1850:
"The [Gardiner Trial] Jury are still out, with no prospect of immediate agreement."

The phrase has continued to be used in this literal sense. The emergence of the figurative use of 'the jury is still out', that is, as a reference to a non-legal decision where no actual jury is involved, began in the USA in the 1940s and has now become somewhat hackneyed; for example, the expression was used in a report of a baseball game, published in the Indiana newspaper The Terre Haute Star in July 1949:
The jury is still out on his [Orestes (Minnie) Minoso's] batting ability.
There are a few examples of the phrase's use, mostly in a sporting context, throughout the 1940s and 50s, but it was a specific event that brought it fully into the language - the infamous Finch-Tregoff murder trials in 1959/61.

QUOTE BOX

We are the generation capable of doing many things at once, without enjoying any of them." **—Dinesh Kumar Biran**

RIDDLE THIS

Answer the rebus below:

Answer : : CAT - T + R = CAR.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

8	4	2	1	6	3	7	9	5
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3	2	7	9	4	6	5	8	1
6	9	5	8	1	7	4	3	2
7	3	9	6	5	1	2	4	8
2	6	8	4	7	9	1	5	3
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Hum and ____ : hesitate?
4 Bric-a- ___ : Miscellaneous curios
8 Indonesian island - "bail" anagram?
12 Rating for Chess grandmasters, in short
13 System of bidding in Bridge
14 Ex-England wicket keeper Leslie ___
15 ___Paar:1954GuruDuttmovie
16 Breed of cat
17 "If do" change for a popular name for a dog?
18 Get a discharge from the army?
20 If and only if - in programming and maths
22 ___ shot : wild guess or venture?
25 Airline to Tel Aviv (2,2)
28 Lady's bedroom
31 Striped animal
33 Ring Laser Gyro
34 Garland from Hawaii
36 Isle of Man
37 Greased or lubricated
40 Spiny anteater
43 Changed the colour of the fabric
44 ___ mum : say nothing?
45 Road Transport Office, in short
47 Crooked, lopsided or off center
51 Bollywood's ___ Agnihotri
54 John ____ : ex-New Zealand cricket captain?
57 Fuss or commotion
58 Such a story can be believed
59 Jail term
60 Revised form of Esperanto
61 Maple genus?
62 The Scotland ___ : London Police Headquarters?
63 One who pays too much attention to detail

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

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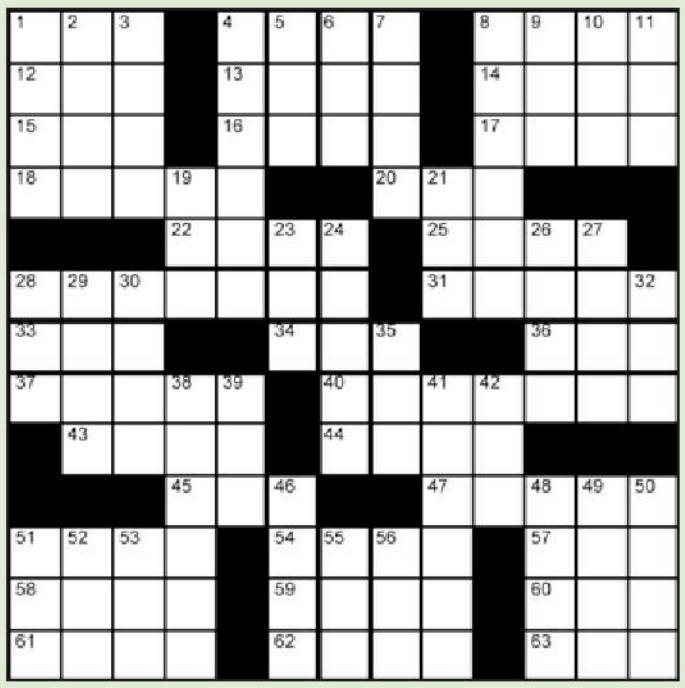
DOWN
1 Come to a ___ : reach a climax?
2 Wings or winglike parts
3 Spiral part of screw
4 Giant grass
5 Record company ___ Victor
6 Activity on Node, abbr.
7 161 in the old Roman figuration
8 Confuse or perplex
9 The French for 'friend' (2,1)
10 Light-Emitting Diode
11 "___ bar" or "___ therm" same prefix?
19 ___ is gold?
21 Turkish cap
23 Nothing ; a big zero?
24 ___ and Latin : unintelligible talk
26 Ex-India all-rounder __ Ali
27 Author Hubbard (1,3)
28 Brother, in short
29 Foul smelling
30 Pretty? No, just the opposite!
32 American medical association, in short
35 Water below zero degrees centigrade?
38 More spooky or uncanny
39 Commonly used pesticide
41 Was in the lead, perhaps?
42 Internet addresses
46 Paris airport
48 Bollywood star Katrina ____
49 Scandinavian books
50 Main product from trees?
51 Required Time of Arrival
52 Curved path of a projectile
53 Calendar abbr.
55 Electronic Industries Assoc.
56 Inst. Flying Regulations



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

E'LK JIZK YI QBFU, NERU YI CERRCK, OIH YI CIZT, RUMR E FMZ

JI MCQIYR MZXRUEZT, NERU ZIRUEZT, EZ ZI REQK OCMR

TODAY'S CLUE: T EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Alcohol is one of mankind's greatest enemies, but the Bible tells us to love our enemies...

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Uppu Huli Khara	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
Upendra Matte Baa	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
College Kumar	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Athiratha	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Bharjari	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Tarak	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
Hani Hani Ibbani	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
HINDI			
Julie 2	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
The Forest	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Mallika Massage Parlour	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Aval	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Indrajith	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Dheeran	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Balakrishnudu	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows

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Coco (E-3D)	(S-1)	11.30 am, 2.30 pm
	(S-2)	4.45 pm, 7.20 pm
Justice League (E-3D)	(S-1)	5.00 pm, 7.20 pm
		9.45 pm
Thor: Ragnarok (E-3D)	(S-2)	11.20 am
Tumhari Sulu (H)	(S-2)	1.55 pm
	(S-3)	4.25 pm
Paipin Chuvattile Pranayam (Ma)	(S-2)	9.50 pm
Athiratha (K)	(S-3)	11.00 am
Uppu Huli Khara (K)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
Mental Madilo (Te)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
Julie-2 (H)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
	(S-4)	11.15 am
Indrajith (Ta)	(S-4)	2.00 pm
Balakrishnudu (Te)	(S-4)	4.40 pm
Murder on the Orient Express (E)	(S-4)	7.30 pm, 9.55 pm

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Coco (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.55 am, 12.15 pm
		2.35 pm, 7.25 pm
Murder on the Orient Express (E)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 12.10 pm
		5.15 pm, 7.35 pm
Julie 2 (H)	(S-3)	10.30 am
	(S-2)	2.30 pm, 9.55 pm
Uppu Huli Khara (K)	(S-4)	10.45 am, 4.10 pm
Athiratha (K)	(S-3)	6.55 pm
	(S-4)	1.20 pm
Justice League (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.55 pm, 9.45 pm
Justice League (E-2D)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
Paipin Chuvattile Pranayam (Ma)	(S-4)	6.45 pm
Balakrishnudu (Te)	(S-4)	9.35 pm
Mental Madilo (Te)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Indrajith (Ta)	(S-3)	9.50 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

TV TONIGHT

7:00 pm Jeet Gayi to Piyaa Morey	7:00 pm Tu Sooraj Main Saanjh Piyaji	7:00 pm Kuch Rang Pyar Ke Aise Bhi
7:30 Aisi Deewangi...	7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein	7:30 Mere Sai
8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek	8:00 Rishton Ka Chakravyuh	8:00 Vighnaharta Ganesh
8:30 Piya Albela	8:30 Ikyawann	8:30 Porus
9:00 Kumkum Bhagya	9:00 Naamkarann	9:00 Kaun Banega Crorepati
9:30 Kundali Bhagya	9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai	10:30 Yeh Un Dinon Ki Baat Hai
6:00 pm Man Vs. Wild	7:00 pm Indian Super League 2017/18 H/ls	6:00 pm Primal Survivor
7:00 How It's Made	7:30 New Zealand Tour of India 2017 H/ls	7:00 World's Most Extreme : Bridges
7:30 What Went Down	8:00 KBD Heroes	8:00 Snakes in the City : Office Nightmare
8:00 Wild Frank in Africa	8:30 Knight Club	9:00 Meet The Brain
9:00 Man Vs. Wild	9:00 Australia Tour of India 2013	9:30 S.O.S Smartest Show on Tv
10:00 Man Vs. Wild	9:30 ISL Rewind	10:00 Mega Factories
11:00 A Haunting (5)		
6:30 pm Oggy & the Cockroaches	7:00 pm Mahaganapathi	7:00 pm Kaveri
7:00 Billu Gamer	7:30 Ennu Swantham Jaani	7:30 Avalu
9:00 Teen Titans Go	8:00 Naga Kanyaka	8:00 Nandini
9:30 Horrid Henry	8:30 Shaneeswaran	9:00 Jeevanadhi
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11:00 Dragon Ball Z	9:30 Ayalathe Sundari	10:00 Sarayoo
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MOVIES TONIGHT

4:24 pm **Zathura**	5:41 pm **Lights Out**	5:01 pm **Armour of God II**
6:32 **Life of Pi**	7:04 **She's Out of My League**	7:00 **Michael Jackson's**
8:59 **Predator**	9:01 **Underworld: Evolution**	9:00 **Jaws 2**
11:12 **Last Kung Fu Monk**		11:04 **Days of Thunder**
6:12 pm **Jaanbaaz Khiladi**	2:45 pm **Maine Pyar Kiya**	4:00 pm **Jaane Jigar**
8:55 **Son Of Satyamurthy 2**	6:45 **Rowdy Rajkumar**	7:00 **Teleshopping**
11:47 **No.1 Mr Perfect**	9:00 **Phir Hera Pheri**	8:20 **Tejasvini**
3:45 pm **Underworld**	4:00 pm **Na Ninna Bidalare**	5:00 pm **Housefull 3**
5:45 **Gladiator**	7:00 **Gadi Bidi Krishna**	7:55 **Dabangg 2**
9:00 **Anaconda**	10:00 **Athiratha Maharatha**	10:35 **Black Water**
10:57 **Ghostbusters**		

EVENTS TODAY (NOV.28)

Karnataka State Khadi and Village Industries Board: Khadi and Gramodyog Utsav, J.K. Grounds, **up to 8 am.**

Sadhana Mandira: Laghunyasa and Rudram classes by Acharya Swami Hamsananda, 'Sri Ramakrishna Krupa,' # 435, 6th Main, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **4.30 pm;** Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, near BGS Hospital, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm;** Shivananda Jnanalaya, next to Nadabrahma Sangeeta Sabha, JLB Road, **7.15 pm**.

Parampare: Aadikavi Pampa's Aadipurana - Vaachana-vyaakhyaana series and expo, Swasthishri Bhanukeerthi Bhattaraka Swamiji of Sri Kshetra, Kambada Halli Jain Mutt graces; Jina Bhajans by Dr. Neeraja Nagendra Kumar, Bengaluru, **5.45 pm;** Vaachana-Vyaakhyaana - Poorvabhavavali-2: Vajrajangham; Vajrajanghabhava narrative; tales of Srimathi's previous birth; Chitrapatavyathiharam; Srimathi and Vajrajangha's wedding; Ahaaradanasahamarana — Vaachana by Vidu. Sathyalakshmi, Mysuru and Vidu. N. Sandhya, Bengaluru; Vyaakhyaana by Dr. Saraswathi Vijay Kumar, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6.30 pm.**

Chinmaya Mission, Mysuru: Sri Datta Jayanti, chanting of Sri Vishnu Sahasranama, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Sri Guru Chariteyha Tatwagalu' by Pujya Swami Dattapadananda; Sri Datta Sannidhi, #148, 6th Main, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6.30 pm to 8 pm**.

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Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Diamond Jubilee Year Celebrations of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Nakshatra Ishti for the well-being of the society, Bhajans and Namasankeertana, Poundarika Rangastala, Ashrama premises, Nanjangud-Ooty Road, **6.30 pm.**

Arivu Shaikshanika mattu Samskrutika Trust: Documentary release and interaction programme, 'Maleya Maadeshwara - Jana Mana Kathana,' Arivu Educational Institutions, Lingambudhipalya, Srirampura, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV.29)

Sadhana Mandira: Laghunyasa and Rudram classes by Acharya Swami Hamsananda, Sadhana Mandira, 4th Cross, 1st Stage, Brindavan Extension, **6.30 am;** Sri Krishna Mandira, Chaitanya Bhavan, 6th Main, 4th Cross, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **7.45 am;** 'Kohinoor', Opp. Maruti Hotel, Shivaji Road, N.R. Mohalla, **10.30 am;** Chandramoulishwara Temple, V.V. Mohalla, **11.45 am;** 'Sri Ramakrishna Krupa,' # 435, 6th Main, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **4.30 pm;** Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, near BGS Hospital, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm;** Shivananda Jnanalaya, next to Nadabrahma Sangeeta Sabha, JLB Road, **7.15 pm.**

Sri Geethapracharini Sabha Trust (Geetha Mandira): 83rd Sri Geetha Jayanti Mahotsava, Geetha Jayanti Flag Hoisting, **7 am;** Mass Bhagavad Gita Recitation, **8 am;** Mahamangalarati and Prasadam Distribution, **8.30 am;** Mass Vishnu Sahasranama Recitation, **6 pm;** Discourse on 'Vibhuti Yoga' by Prof. Anantaramu, Mandira premises, 33rd Cross, Ashoka Road, Sri Geetha Mandira Road, **6.30 pm.**

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Abhyudaya Mahila Samaja: Bhajan competition for women, Puttaraja Gavai Stadium, J.P. Nagar, **10 am.**

Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, State Directorate NYKS, Karnataka-Bengaluru, Nehru Yuva Kendra, Mysuru District: Inter-State Youth Exchange Programme, Youth Hostel, Saraswathipuram, **10 am onwards.**

Karnataka State Khadi and Village Industries Board: Khadi and Gramodyog Utsav, J.K. Grounds, **10 am to 8 am.**

Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat, Mysuru District Committee and Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat, Bengaluru: Silver Jubilee Celebrations, State-level 25th National Children's Science Congress-2017, Chief Minister Siddharamaiah inaugurates, PWD and District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa releases souvenir, Science & Technology Minister M.R. Seetharam inaugurates Technical Sessions, Minister Tanveer Sait inaugurates expo, MLA Vasu presides, *Bharat Ratna* Prof. C.N.R. Rao special invitee, **10.30 am;** Cultural programme, Senate Bhavan, University of Mysore, **6.30 pm.**

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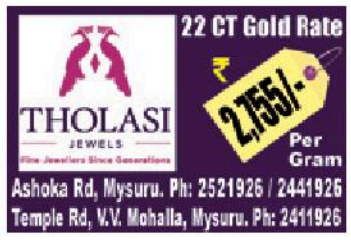

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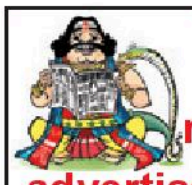

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